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JESSE S. COOPER MEMORIAL BUILDING
CAPITAL SQUARE
DOVER, DELAWARE 19901

December 11, 1978

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Bruce Dozier, Esquire
Attorney Advisor, United States
Department of State
and
Michael White, Esquire
United States Air Force Base
Dover, Delaware 19901

Dear Messrs. Dozier and White:

Although we have made progress in planning for the removal of the Jonestown deceased from the Dover Air Force Base, there are obviously other problems which must be addressed regarding planning for burial of all those involved in the Jonestown incident. As of this past Friday evening we had reached a satisfactory solution to the removal outside of Delaware of those bodies which had been both identified and claimed by the next of kin.

On November 29, 1978, a meeting was held on the grounds of the Dover U.S. Air Force Base at which time you stated that individual death certificates would be forthcoming from the Guyanese government for all identified bodies. It is our understanding that among the relatives there are those who are making inquiries as to the possibility of planning for burial within Delaware. Before such plans can be realized there must be an acceptable death certificate for each body. We would most appreciate being apprised at your earliest convenience of the exact contents of the document which was referred to at the above meeting.

Your early attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Yours very sincerely,

Barbara B. Rose, M.D.

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Director, Division of
Public Health

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I, Bruce Dozier, Attorney Advisor with the United States Department of State, do hereby promise that the original letter from Solicitor General Gonsalves-Sabola of Guyana to the United States Ambassador Burke dated December 4, 1978, concerning the lawful removal of the bodies of the victims of the Jonestown incident by the United States Air Force will be furnished to Deputy Registrar, George Bender, M.D., as soon as practicable after it is received by me. As indicated by Ambassador Burke, the text of Guyanese Solicitor General Gonsalves-Sabola's letter of December 4, 1978, to American Ambassador Burke is contained in Ambassador Burke's Amembassy Georgetown telegram number 4091 of December 4, 1978, to the Secretary of State.

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